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**From:** Minter, Douglas [Minter.Douglas@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/11/2018 1:22:45 PM  
**To:** Bahrman, Sarah [Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: UIC permit backlog follow up

Ok thanks

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**From:** Bahrman, Sarah  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2018 7:19 AM  
**To:** Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: UIC permit backlog follow up

Hi Douglas –

Just clearing out the rest of my to do's before I leave and I realized you and I never talked about this. While I am out, please discuss this opportunity with Valois and Darcy and reach out to HQ to request whatever support you think would be helpful.

Thanks!

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**From:** Minter, Douglas  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 5, 2018 9:51 AM  
**To:** Bahrman, Sarah <Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: UIC permit backlog follow up  
**Importance:** High

With Valois' input, I think we should consider pursuing this type of support for DB beyond what Cadmus had provided in their organization of the public comments. Perhaps we can discuss at 2 pm today. For now, I won't mention this to Valois.

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**From:** O'Connor, Darcy  
**Sent:** Monday, July 2, 2018 10:55 AM  
**To:** Bahrman, Sarah <Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov>; Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Garcia, Bert <Garcia.Bert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: UIC permit backlog follow up  
**Importance:** High

Sarah/Douglas – please see below. Is this contract vehicle something we could use to assist with Dewey??

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**From:** McClain, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Monday, July 2, 2018 10:53 AM  
**To:** Moraff, Kenneth <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>; Lueckenhoff, Dominique <Lueckenhoff.Dominique@epa.gov>; Gettle, Jeaneanne <Gettle.Jeaneanne@epa.gov>; Holst, Linda <holst.linda@epa.gov>; Garcia, David <Garcia.David@epa.gov>; Robichaud, Jeffery <Robichaud.Jeffery@epa.gov>; O'Connor, Darcy <oconnor.darcy@epa.gov>; Torres, Tomas <Torres.Tomas@epa.gov>; Laureano, Javier <laureano.javier@epa.gov>; Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>  
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**Subject:** UIC permit backlog follow up

Good morning all,

Thank you for your participation in the permit backlog discussion at last week's WDD meeting. I wanted to get back to you quickly on a few items:

- Andrew and I met with Henry Darwin this morning and discussed the need for processes/materials to facilitate resolution of applications that are in stasis. We discussed 3 potential pathways: 1) denial of the application, 2) applicant withdrawal and 3) EPA rejection of an incomplete application. OCI is developing template letters and processes for this and will be talking to Region 6 today about the letters the region is now drafting. We stressed the need to have these available quickly.
- Henry would like to better understand the specific issues involved in the more complicated application review processes to identify where his team can help facilitate resolution.
- Region 9 asked if OGWDW has contract resources available to support UIC permit application reviews. I'm happy to respond that we do have a contract in place and we have identified \$200K for this purpose.
  - Any region interested in using the contract should develop a work assignments at the Regional-level. OGWDW is available to support the Regions in developing these work assignments. (Region 9 has a WA in place under this contract to support permitting of Class I and Class III permits)
  - We will work with you to prioritize needs for the use of the available HQ funds
  - Details about the type of work supported by contract are below

Your UIC teams have been amazing throughout the Class II Kaizen process and in response to the new focus on all well classes and backlogged applications. Please let us know if you have ideas of other ways OGWDW can help you meet this shared goal.

Best,  
Jennifer

**Types of work that EP-C-15-022 can support:**

***Completeness and Technical Review***

- Support administrative completeness review
- Data review, collection and analyses
- Support technical evaluations (e.g., by well engineers; geologists; financial experts; hydrologists)
- Support development of permit conditions
- Develop supporting documents, documentation of analyses, draft memos to the record, a record index

***Consultation/Coordination***

- Coordination with ESA and NHPA contacts; other coordination/consultations, as needed

***Logistics***

- Drafting fact sheets, statements of basis, public notice materials
- Coordinating with local (to the project to be permitted) media outlets
- Coordinating with local venues to secure a venue for a public hearing

***Response to Comments/Appeals***

- Support organization of the public comments
- Draft responses
- Support permit appeals